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(37 CFR 1.63)

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Application Number	09 / 808,666
Filing Date	March 14, 2001
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OPTICAL CONVERTER FLEX ASSEMBLIES

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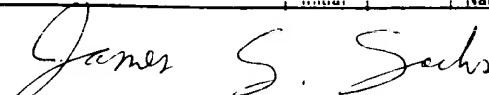
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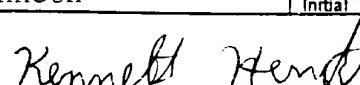
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